



Cleveland Shetland Sheepdog Club

SPOTLIGHT

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Happy Mother's Day!

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MEETINGS ARE HELD on the second Tuesday of every month .
The General Meetings begin promptly at 7 o'clock p.m. and are open to
anyone with an interest in all things concerning Shelties.

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, May 8, 2018

Board Meeting to follow



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210 Hayes Drive, Brooklyn Heights, OH 44131
(if you need directions, contact Barb Kaplan)



May refreshments will be provided by
Steve Mariner

Coming Events for 2018 (Mark your calendars):

2018

<i>May meeting, (+Board) refreshments by Steve</i>	<i>May 8</i>
<i>CSSC Herding Trials</i>	<i>June 8, 9 and 10</i>
<i>June meeting, AWARDS BANQUET</i>	<i>June 12</i>
<i>July meeting, (+Board) refreshments by Chris</i>	<i>July 10</i>
<i>CSSC Agility Trial *note new date!</i>	<i>*July 13</i>
<i>August meeting, refreshments by Donna - program?</i>	<i>August 7</i>
<i>September meeting, (+Board) refreshments by Sue</i>	<i>September 11</i>
<i>CSSC Independent Specialties at CABTC *note new dates!</i>	<i>*October 6 and 7</i>
<i>Annual Meeting/Election of Officers, refreshments by Kim</i>	<i>October 9</i>
<i>November meeting, (+Board) refreshments by Mary</i>	<i>November 13</i>
<i>December meeting, CHRISTMAS PARTY, refreshments tba</i>	<i>December 11</i>



OUR MEMBERS MAKE US PROUD

CSSC members Kim Furlong and Cheryl Sacerich and Ulli Weinrich have had an exciting week at the ASSA National Specialty Show in Virginia Beach! As of this printing, I don't have a complete list, but here's what I have- I'll publish all the ASSA results next month:

Kim's brags -- in Futurity, Masterpiece Iconic 4th in the 6 – 9 class
 in Futurity, Masterpiece Louboutin 1st in the 6 – 9 class
 Solstice Presidio Unequivocal, 2nd in the 9 – 12 class
 Ilemist As It Should Be -- TOP TWENTY
 in Regular classes, Masterpiece Iconic 1st in the 6 – 9 class

Cheryl's brags-- in Rally, MORA 3rd place Rally Advanced
 Q's in Excellent
 3rd runner-up for High Combined

CLEVELAND SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Notes from the meeting which took place April 10, 2018



President's Report – President Barb called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. No snow is good news! Members present this evening were Sue Moreland, Kristie and Steve Mariner, Betty R. Hitzler, Barb Schmauder, Laura Chegan, Donna Waldorf, Rhadine Zabrecki and John Bush. There were no guests.

Recording Secretary's Report – Steve moved and Kristie seconded that the minutes of the March meeting be approved as they were published in the newsletter. Motion carried.

Corresponding Secretary's Report –

Correspondence from AKC –

- Announcing a new point schedule going into effect May 16, 2018, which will benefit males for majors. For one point, 2 males 2 females; for two points, 6 males 8 females; for three points, 9 males 14 females; for four points, 11 males 17 females; and for five points, 16 males and 23 females.
- New obedience regulations are available upon request – 5 free per club, contact orderdesk@akc.org

Correspondence regarding our Herding Trials–

- All travel arrangements have been made for judge Ken Ferrill, coming from New Mexico. We still haven't heard definite itinerary from the other judge, Cathy Sumeracki from Arizona, who says she will make her own reservations. Discussion followed: it was suggested that, from now on, we designate a deadline if a judge wishes to make his/her own arrangements.

Report of the Treasurer – As always, a complete financial report will be made available to any member upon request. The report was filed for audit. Calendars for 2019 are on order, and Rhadine will update our insurance for our October specialties.

Reports of the Committees –

Herding – In Cheryl's absence, Barb reported that the Friday morning trial and the Saturday morning trial are FULL. And we've almost reached our limits on animals to be used for other trials. We can do a few more Shelties-only. Sunday still has openings.

Trophy – Barb has GREAT ideas! Our specialty winners are going to be very happy with their trophies! Thanks to Barb and Kristie for all their hard work on this committee.

Web Site – to anyone who sends pix to be used on our site, please observe a maximum of 2 MB for picture size.

Unfinished Business – Get your applications for 2017 Awards Banquet in to Sue right away! The big topic is: where are we going to have it? Volunteers are going to check restaurants in this general area. (tabled)

BRAGS Barb S - Sophie is going for MXJ – Sunday she turned it on and ended up with Double Q; she not only qualified but she came in 1st. Lacy had a perfect run and qualified in Jumpers' Run.

John - Petey got his CGC today!

Barb K - Max got his CGC today, too! (April 10)



There being no further business, Kristi moved and Donna seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 8:08 p.m. Board meeting minutes are N/A to this printing.

IS MOTHER'S DAY FOR DOG-MOMS?

**From the Blog of Lisa Spector, Canine Music Expert
(throughadogsear.com/lisa-spectors-blog)**

Mother's Day is not the easiest of holidays for me. I have no human children and have never been called "mom." No one has ever said, "Happy Mother's Day, Mom, I love you!"

But, can we be mothers to species other than humans? I am the single provider for two dogs, Sanchez and Gina. But, I usually think of them as my companion animals, not my children. Even though others may see me as a dog-mom, with my children being of the furry sort.

My 81-year-old mother is 3,000 miles away. I am very grateful that she is in good health, and we will have some time together at the end of the month. And, even though my dogs are not my children, I am very happy to be spending Mother's Day with them. Whether I take them for a hike, drive them to the beach, or they sit by my side at an outdoor cafe, they are still my full responsibility.



I pride myself with being a very conscientious care-taker for them, providing a very healthy diet, plenty of exercise, daily reward-based dog training, environmental enrichment, participation in dog sports, playtime, and an infinite amount of love. They won't ever graduate from high school, leave for college and produce offspring. But, when I adopted them, I promised them a forever home. They get room and board with medical and dental for life. I am their provider, care-taker, training partner, agility partner, canine freestyle partner, and human snuggler, even if I am not their mom.

A study in *New Scientist* reported that pet dogs rival humans for emotional satisfaction. After playing with their pets, dog owners experienced a burst in a hormone linked to infant care. I honestly have had more experience playing with puppies than taking care of infants, so I can't compare. But, I do know that my engagement and relationship with my dogs is extremely emotionally satisfying and bonding. It's not surprising to me that Dr. Rollin McCarty, Director of Research at the Institute of HeartMath, conducted an experiment and found that heart-rhythm entrainment, or synchronization, occurs between people and their dogs.

There are 75.1 million children in the United States. *Stats.gov* projects that number will increase to over 100 million by the year 2050. At the end of 2009, The Humane Society reported there were 77.5 million owned dogs in the U.S. and 93.6 million cats. The pet over-population problem is out of control.

So, this Mother's Day, I'm going to enjoy being a mom, if only for a day. I'm not going to feel guilty raising good canine citizens instead of good children. I'm going to be proud of my choice to not add to the over human population and remind myself that I am helping the pet over-population.



KEEPING YOUR PETS HAPPY AND HEALTHY IN SPRINGTIME – by Samantha Miller

Warmer weather has pet owners looking to spend more time outside with their pets to to walk and play. Richard and Vicki Horowitz of Bark Busters shares tips on avoiding outdoor hazards in the springtime.

What are the environmental concerns we need to address for our dogs in the springtime?

Fleas and ticks

Fleas and ticks can cause a host of problems, from flea allergy dermatitis to Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain spotted fever. In large enough numbers, both ticks and fleas can also cause dangerous amounts of blood loss, especially in young dogs. While a number of flea and tick prevention options are available today, monthly topical and oral tablets offer convenience and effectiveness in protecting your dog. Ask your veterinarian for more information.

Poisonous plants

Inquisitive dogs might see those fragrant spring blooms as a tasty snack, but dogs can become extremely ill or even die from eating poisonous plants (for example, rhododendrons, azaleas, lilies, flower bulbs). You can also help prevent your dog from digging by not gardening with your dog present-he may conclude that digging is acceptable and enjoy digging to underground pipes or chewing on sprinkler heads.

Lawn hazards

If a lawn-yours or another's-has been treated with fertilizers, herbicides or insecticides, do not let your dog walk on it until these potentially dangerous treatments have dried completely.

What health concerns are prevalent with Spring and the warmer weather?

Heartworm infection

The American Heartworm Society recommends that all dogs be tested annually for heartworm infection. Transmitted by mosquitoes, this serious parasitic disease can be fatal. Fortunately, your veterinarian offers a variety of options for preventing heartworm infection, including an injection, daily and monthly tablets, and monthly topical medications.

Allergies

Blooming plants, grasses and flowers can trigger atopy, an allergy similar to hay fever. But instead of sneezing, a dog typically develops itchy skin and will persistently scratch, lick and bite to get relief. If you suspect that your pooch may be suffering from seasonal allergies, visit your veterinarian for recommended allergy treatments. These can range from oral medications to skin tests that pinpoint allergies in more severe cases.

Unpleasant odors

If your furry friend has taken on an offensive aroma over the winter, find out where the smell is coming from. Odor in your dog's mouth could mean dental problems, digestive problems or underlying internal diseases, such as kidney problems or diabetes. If his teeth are discolored or he has an odor worse than his usual doggie breath, have your veterinarian perform a dental exam. Next, check his ears. If the skin inside is red or sore, if the ear has a bad smell, or if your dog reacts in pain when you examine his ears, have your vet check him for an ear infection. Also check your dog's skin for the common disorder seborrhea, usually characterized by flaky dandruff or an oily, waxy feel to the coat and a strong odor. You can prevent this by frequently bathing your dog with a medicated shampoo that your veterinarian can recommend. Finally, an infection or anal gland problems can also lead to odor and discomfort, in which case your dog will need to be seen by your veterinarian.

How can we all enjoy the warmer weather?

Enjoy the Outdoors and Reinforce Training

In addition to the above health and safety tips, take advantage of the longer days and warmer temperatures to refresh your training skills and build upon your relationship with your dog. Remember that we all tend to hibernate a little over the winter. Spring is an invitation to renew our commitment to exercise and a more active lifestyle for us and our dogs. After a long winter, your dog may have forgotten outdoor manners. Using basic obedience training (coming when called, and gate manners) can sharpen your dog's response to you and build a stronger relationship. Regarding walking on leash, start out slowly and reestablish the proper leash rules for you and your dog's safety.

Mama was my greatest teacher, a teacher of compassion, love and fearlessness. If love is sweet as a flower, then my mother is that sweet flower of love.

— STEVIE WONDER

God could not be everywhere, and therefore he made mothers.

— JEWISH PROVERB

When my mother had to get dinner for 8 she'd just make enough for 16 and only serve half.

— GRACIE ALLEN

I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me.
They have clung to me all my life.

— ABRAHAM LINCOLN

My mother is a walking miracle.

— LEONARDO DICAPRIO

Children are the anchors of a mother's life.

— SOPHOCLES

NEW TICK VIRUS – Read! TICKS NOW CARRY A VIRUS MORE DEADLY THAN LYME DISEASE – HERE’S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

By *admin* On *March 16, 2018*

A quick-moving and potentially fatal virus has been found in the U.S. in the Northeast and Great Lakes area.

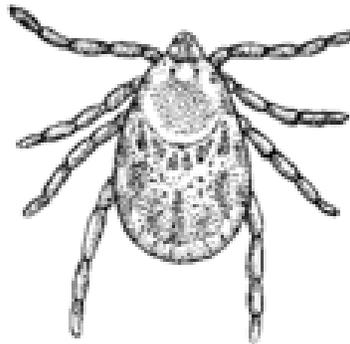
Carried and transferred to people and pets by ticks, the Powassan Virus can infect the central nervous system, causing similar symptoms to Lyme disease, but more severe and without any cure. Once bitten by an infected tick, it only takes a matter of hours before symptoms begin to occur. The patients infected are likely to become susceptible to neurological damage due to inflammation of the brain, which can lead to both encephalitis and meningitis.

Currently, approximately ten percent of cases have led to death, with only 50 people affected in the U.S. each year (compared to the roughly 20,000 people who are affected by Lyme disease).

Although contracting the disease is quite rare, because of the possible fatality, doctors are urging people to do everything they can to prevent being infected. For people who work outdoors or camp in any of the affected areas, the chance of becoming infected is much higher.

Here are the main guidelines to follow to protect your family:

- Avoid wooded and bushy areas with high grass.
- Complete a full body check on yourself, children, and pets when spending time outdoors.
- Carry and use bug spray.
- Shampoo your dog more often with a good product



A SCARLET SYMBOL

by Priscilla Hartling, West Allis, Wisconsin

My mother was my best friend. She loved cardinals, the male red ones. When she got sick with pancreatic cancer and knew death was near, she told me to always look for the red cardinal—that would be her. I never paid too much attention to that statement; I was too busy becoming an adult. Twenty-five years later, every time I feel at my wits' end, there is a cardinal flying past me or in a nearby tree. Is it coincidence, or my mother, all these years later, letting me know that everything will be OK? I'll take the latter.

A STAND-UP WOMAN

by Robin Hynes, Slingerland, New York

My mom had a great sense of humor and a knack for making everything fun. One thing that resonated with me, even as a small child, was how much she seemed to enjoy her own company and found ways to entertain herself. As a kid, I remember her giggling while paying bills. What was so funny about bill paying? She would put humorous notes in the reference section of the check: For the electric bill, she might put "You light up my life," and for the mortgage she'd write "Four shingles closer to owning it all."

THE NEED NEVER GOES AWAY

by Saman Rahman, Peshawar, Pakistan

"Mommy, you are a fairy," I said. My mother laughed like tinkling bells. "I am serious, Mother. You know everything." "My child, I try to answer as best as I can. When you grow older, you will not need me," she said. "No, Mom, I will always need you. Nothing can change that," I said. Her words echo in my heart as I look at the blue sky: "Dear daughter, nothing remains the same except the vast blue sky." It has been ten years since I lost my fairy. Mom, you were wrong about one thing: I still need you.

